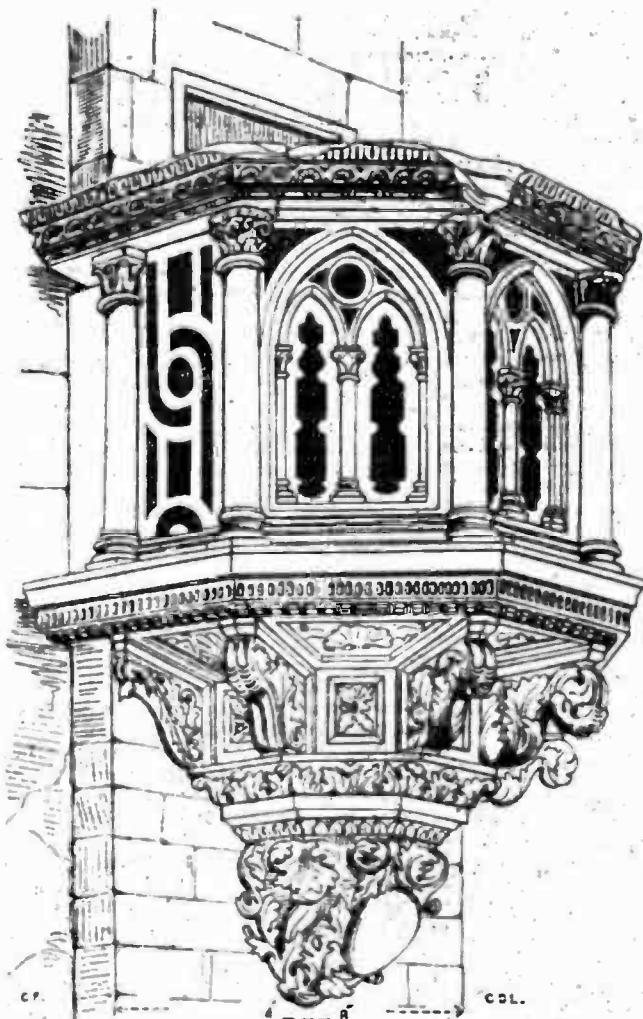


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THE pulpit represented in our engraving is one of those elegant specimens of a mixed style which are so frequently met with in Italy: it is projected externally from the façade of the cathedral, which forms one of the sides of the principal piazza of the town. The present building dates originally from the end of the fifteenth century, but the exterior has been Romanized. The pulpit is very sharply carved in marble, and the panels have been encrusted with mosaic work. It was entered from the interior of the church, and is not much raised above the terrace, which is in front of the cathedral; but as that is reached by a flight of steps from the piazza, it occupies a commanding position with reference to the latter. The date of the work is probably nearly coeval with that of the building itself. C. F.

THE LATE STRIKE.

THREE journeymen and two apprentices have been charged at the Lambeth Police Court under the Combination Law, 6th of Geo. 4, cap. 129, with various acts, proved in evidence against one or other of them severally, such as annoyance, threats and intimidation, stealing and injuring tools, tearing and destroying clothes, throwing an axe, stones, wood, &c. at fellow-workmen employed by Mr. Myers during the late strike, and thus putting them in fear of their lives by ruffianly and illegal conduct, and compelling them to quit their employment. On the part of the defendants, Mr. Thomas Walker, their foreman, was called, and his testimony was entirely against the complainants, and in favour of the defendants. Witnesses admitted, however, that he had advised the complainants to

leave their employment, as there might be danger in their stopping.

Mr. Binns, in reply to the charge, contended that there was a total absence of any proof of combination.

Mr. Elliott observed, that intimidation and other improper acts had been proved against all the prisoners except Summers, and that person he should discharge. The conduct of the others, and more particularly Smith, was highly improper, for although the law gave workmen the perfect option to work or not, they must not prevent others from working, and if they did, they must take the consequences. He then sentenced Smith to two months' imprisonment, and Collins and the two apprentices, Pointon and Hayes, to one month each. Mr. Elliott, in conclusion, expressed it as his opinion, that the conduct of the foreman was deserving of reprobation.

NOTES IN THE PROVINCES.

Thetford.—The restoration of St. Cuthbert's Church has formed a subject of difference in the parish vestry, one party, according to a correspondent of the *Norfolk Chronicle*, being determined to patch up the old work, such as the "rotten roof," which they proposed to "line up and slate, extending the flat ceiling, which is 17 feet only from the floor, with other propositions nearly as reasonable," the whole cost to be 500*l*. A report by Mr. Farrow, of Diss, architect, was read, in which it was stated that the foundation, walls, arches, and roof of chancel were mainly sound. Plans and specifications, it is said, were produced for the complete restoration and enlargement of the church, with open roof, and a small bell-tower. The patchwork plan, however, it is added, was moved and adopted by a major-

ity of one; but as "the more intelligent part of the vestry declined forming a committee, or in any way assisting to carry out such a plan," the majority of one was nonplussed, and did not know what to make of the victory, and subsequently adopted the rival plan, leaving out the extension of the south aisle, to which the churchwardens and others are said to have reluctantly assented in the meantime, in the hope that the bishop will exercise his prerogative in ordering the carrying out of the plan in its integrity. Another correspondent gives a different account of the matter, stating objections to the plan adopted, the cost of which he says, was estimated at 800*l*., and alleging that the leading man of the party voting for it was himself dissatisfied.

Lynn.—It is still intended to erect a corn exchange, although it was reported that the intention had been given up. Steps are now to be taken to raise the requisite funds; and the space occupied by the Tuesday Market House is spoken of as the site to be appropriated to the purpose.

Luton.—The Wesleyans, intending to erect a new and more commodious chapel, the committee, says the *Bedford Times*, met on the 15th inst., to receive tenders for the erection of the building. The following are the amounts of the revised tenders:—

Cooper, London	£2,719
Smith, ditto	2,649
Higgs, ditto	2,569
Williams, Luton	2,545
Hazelgrove, ditto	2,589
Mills, Whittlesea	2,530
Twelvetrees, Biggleswade	2,495
Parker, Thrapston	2,157

Derby.—On Thursday in week before last the opening of the new district schools in connection with Christ Church, was celebrated